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Christine Todd Whitman  
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Re: Response to Comments 1,3-Dioxolane (CAS Number 646-06-0).

Dear Administrator Whitman;

The Dioxolane Manufacturers' Consortium is pleased that the EPA recognized the effort and thoroughness that went into the preparation of this document. It was our goal to meet the high standards for quality set by the EPA and to utilize all available information to avoid conducting any unnecessary animal testing related to the HPV program.

The document had been revised, according to the EPA comments, adding the assumptions and inputs that went into the Fugacity calculations presented in the robust summaries. The results remain the same for this endpoint. As this addition caused a change in pagination, a copy of the entire revised document is enclosed. It is clearly marked on the title page as a revised document.

Regarding the comments from Environmental Defense, we are pleased that Environmental Defense revised their initial comments and now agrees that no additional work is required under HPV. If there are any questions concerning this submission please contact me as a representative of the Consortium

Sincerely,

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Toxicologist for the Dioxolane HPV Consortium

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